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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Theatre at Nashville, Tenn., burned; loss $50,000. —— One hundred families driven from their homes at Chattanooga, by the flood in the river; many houses are submerged. —— Admiral Sampson's condition is steadily growing worse. —— President Roosevelt is to be invited to attend a young negroes' Christian Congress, in Atlanta next August. —— The postoffice at Mystic, Ga., was robbed and the postmaster assaulted; postoffice at Smallwood, S. C., was also robbed Wednesday night. —— Tom Rainey, a white boy, shot and killed by a negro, at Leaksville, N. C.; the murderer escaped. —— The Everett-Moore syndicate, Cleveland, Ohio, controlling electric railways and telephone lines in Ohio and Michigan has passed into control of a committee of bankers —— It is reported that Miss Stone, the American missionary has been released —— The boiler of a freight engine at Macon, Ga., exploded yesterday morning, killing three men and injuring many others; the cause of the explosion is not known. —— Tammany has assured Belmont of its support. —— Two hundred bricklayers are out of work at Richmond, Va. —— Fertiliser plant and other property burned at Meridian, Miss.; loss $50,000. —— Many marine disasters on the New England coast are reported. ——The First National bank of Austin, Tex., has resumed business. —— New York markets: Money on call firm at 6@10 per cent.; cotton steady at 8 7-16c; flour market active at old prices, closing firm; wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red 89½c; corn—spot steady; No. 2, 70½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady at 39@39½c.

Forecast for To-day.

WASHINGTON, Jan 2.—For North Carolina: Fair Friday and Saturday, colder Saturday fresh westerly to northwesterly winds.

The United States have 200,000 of the estimated 500,000 miles of railroad in the world, and are adding several thousand miles every year.

Frank Huchinson Peavey, the great elevator man of Minneapolis, who died a few days ago, carried $1,376,000 life insurance. It cost him $40,000 a year to carry it.

The industrial depression which began some time ago in Germany has extended to Austria and Holland. There are in Rotterdam about 380,000 workmen out of employment.

Rather than take a dare a fool in Cumberland Md., exploded a railroad torpedo in his hand. The hand went with the torpedo. If they had bantered him to explode it in his mouth there might now be one fool less in Cumberland.

An old fellow residing on Long Island, has fallen heir to $10,000 He sports the unique name of George Humbug, and now there are about a dozen or more unmarried women in his neighborhood who are doing their level best to become Humbugs.

There is in Minneapolis a compulsory vaccination law, and when people don't come in the health department goes for them. The other night the vaccinators, fully equipped for business, pounced upon a gambling house and vaccinated the last one of the fellows caught there.

The city fathers of Milwaukee have passed an improved curfew law. It prohibits children under 14 years of age from being on the streets after 8 o'clock in the evening or before 8 o'clock in the morning. They think the children of that town do not get sleep enough.

The whirligig of fortune got Lewis Carmichael, of Sydney, N. Y. He was once wealthy and prominent in politics. He it was who placed Horace Greely in nomination for the Presidency in the Democratic convention in 1872. A few days ago, at the age of 70, he applied for admission to the almshouse.

When a man gets into a bad fix there is generally somebody around to give him advice. A skater broke through the ice on a Connecticut river a few days ago, and another fellow kept yelling, "Keep cool!" "Keep cool!" Considering the fact that the mercury was about zero he didn't have any trouble in doing it.

We sometimes hear of a man opening his mouth and "putting his foot in it." A horse hardly ever does that, but a foolish three-year old trotter did it in New Jersey a few days ago. He undertook to pick his teeth with his hind foot and when discovered was found lying in a knot in the stall, with that foot fastened in his mouth so firmly that it took a blacksmith and three other men an hour to pull it out.

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.
For sale by Hardin's Palace Pharmacy

LOCAL DOTS.

— The barque *Albatross* passed out at 10 A. M. yesterday at Southport.

— Capt. S. B. Alexander, of Charlotte, has announced his candidacy for the office of Senator, to succeed Pritchard.

— Four hundred thousand shingles were loaded into the steamer *Snyg* by the Wilmington Stevedore Company in nine hours.

— Schooner *Annie P. McFadden* and *Wm. P. Hood* cleared yesterday with timber and lumber cargoes for New York and Boston, respectively.

— The Norwegian barque *Hutiltu* was cleared yesterday by Messrs. Heide & Co., for London, Eng., with a cargo of 6,390 barrels rosin, consigned by Murchison & Co.

— A special meeting of Cape Fear Camp of Veterans will be held at the W. L. I. armory to-night for the transaction of important business. A full attendance is desired.

— James McDuffie, colored, was fined $10 in the police court yesterday for raising a domestic row at his home New Year's morning. He arranged to pay the sum and was released.

— Between ten and fifteen persons from the Wilmington section left yesterday afternoon for the Georgia turpentine farms. In the party were both white and colored laborers.

— Rev. M. C. Walton, of Burgaw, will preach Sunday at Southside Baptist church. As yet no definite arrangements have been made for a pastor to succeed Rev. Mr. Herring.

— No trace of the body of Corporal LeClair, who was drowned at Fort Caswell, has yet been found. Dynamite is still being used in the river with a hope of causing the body to rise.

— The Merry Companion Social Club at an enthusiastic meeting last night completed all arrangements for the masquerade and civic ball to be given Thursday night, January 16th, in Germania Hall.

— The negro, Robert Sloan, of Rose Hill, charged with seduction, was yesterday removed to the county jail from the police station, pending arrival of an officer from Duplin to take him there for trial.

ODD FELLOWS' INSTALLATION.

Wilmington Lodge No. 139 Had Pleasing Ceremonies at Meeting Last Night.

At a regular meeting of Wilmington Lodge No. 139, I. O. O. F., last night, District Deputy Grand Master B. J. Jacobs, assisted by C. E. Hall, Grand Warden; J. J. Hopkins, Grand Marshal; W. G. T. Keen, G. S. and G. T., installed the following officers, to serve for the ensuing term:

S. P. G.—K. W. Jewell.
N. G.—C. C. Chadbourn.
V. G.—R. J. Shepard.
R. S.—J. M. McGowan.
F. S.—R. H. Northrop.
Treasurer—J. T. King.
Chaplain—E. Y. Davis.
Warden—P. H. Murphy.
Conductor—T. G. Landin.
O. G.—E. D. Craig.
I. G.—E. B. Burkheimer.
R. S. to N. G.—W. H. Rothwell.
L. S. to N. G.—B. G. Empie.
R. S. to V. G.—John W. Batson.
L. S. to V. G.—J. J. Craig.
R. S. S.—Wm. Sheehan.
L. S. S.—G. A. Peterson.
Organist—J. W. Fleet.
General Relief Committee—J. J. Hopkins.
Relief Committee—First ward, E. D. Craig; Second ward, R. J. Shepard; Third ward, R. H. Northrop; Fourth ward, J. H. Boatwright; Fifth ward, Kelly W. Jewell; Delgado, J. B. Coley.
Auditing Committee—B. J. Jacobs, Jno. R. Turrentine, Jr.,—and W. C. Smith.
Supervising Committee—J. J. Hopkins, J. F. Littleton and J. T. King.
Hall Committee—E. Y. Davis, W. H. Rothwell and E. D. Craig.

Farewell to Pastor.

A farewell service to the Rev. R. H. Herring, the retiring pastor, was held Wednesday night at Southside Baptist church. Every one expressed deepest regret at his contemplated departure and Mr. Herring responded to all the expressions in a most feeling manner. As before stated in these columns he has accepted a call to a very flourishing church at Albemarle, N. C.

In Business For Himself.

Mr. W. H. Stone, Jr., the popular bookkeeper at the store of Stone, Rourk & Co., has resigned his position there and left yesterday for Little River, S. C., where he will engage in business as a member of the firm of Stone Bros. & Co., general merchants. He has hundreds of friends here, who wish him every success possible in his new home.

State Prison Board.

Hon. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, was here yesterday, returning home from Raleigh, where he attended the State Prison Board meeting on Wednesday. Only routine business such as the approving of accounts was transacted. The annual reports are not made until April. The peanut and cotton crops have not yet been sold.

One dollar guaranteed Black Taffeta Silk 50c at Johnson's store. †

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Opera House—Mabel Paige.
G. H. Howell—Land for sale.
J. F. Stolter—Executor's notice.
People's Savings Bank—Notice.
S H. MacRae—Bankrupt notice.
Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Compound interest.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Cape Fear Camp Veterans—Meeting

BUSINESS AFFAIRS.

Meeting of Joint Committee On Extra Train Service Over the Carolina Central.

GENERAL MANAGER INVITED.

Mr. Barr is Asked by Committee to Visit Wilmington and See Her Needs in This Respect—No Meeting of Chamber of Commerce.

An important meeting of the joint committee from the four commercial bodies of the city, to use its best endeavor to secure double daily passenger service on the Seaboard Air Line between Wilmington and Hamlet, was held yesterday afternoon in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, North Front street. Very substantial progress was made toward systematizing the efforts for the additional service but there were no direct results reported.

Mr. W. E. Worth was called to the chair, and Mr. L. B Rogers was present as secretary. Those in attendance were Mr. Rogers, of the Produce Exchange; Messrs. T. W. Clawson and L. Bluethenthal, of the Chamber of Commerce; Messrs. W. E. Worth and Geo. R. French, of the Merchants' Association, and Mr. W. B. Cooper, of the Wholesale Grocers Association.

Mr. Rogers stated that a communication had been received by the committee from Vice President and General Manager Jno. M. Barr, of the S. A. L., extending transportation and courtesies of the road to the committee and asking the members to visit the general offices in Portsmouth in regard to their desires.

Upon motion of Mr. Clawson, it was adopted as the sense of the meeting that the business men of the city request that an additional mail and passenger train be placed on the road, leaving Wilmington early in the morning and arriving from Hamlet between the hours of 7 and 11 P. M.

It was also decided to send a cordial invitation to General Manager Barr to visit Wilmington in the near future, with the assurance that he would be hospitably entertained by its business men and that by so doing he could better acquaint himself with the existing conditions as to the train service. A committee consisting of Messrs. L. B. Rogers, H. W. Malloy and T. W. Clawson was appointed to formulate the tangible reasons for the desired extra service, and to furnish the same to Mr. Barr upon the occasion of his expected visit.

The meeting then adjourned, subject to call of the chairman.

Chamber of Commerce Meeti

There was no meeting of the Chamber of Commerce at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon on account of the lack of a quorum, but there were present President Jacobi, Secretary Cantwell and several of the more active members. A number of business matters were privately discussed.

The president appointed a committee, consisting of Col. Walker Taylor, Col. Jno. L. Cantwell and Col. F. W. Kerchner, to draft suitable resolutions expressive of the sentiment of the Chamber upon the death of the late Dr. William White Harriss, who was for one or more terms president of the body and a gentleman always enthusiastic in every effort to upbuild his native city.

Mr. J. Allen Taylor, of a special committee, had recommended the endorsement of certain resolutions relative to the enlargement of the powers of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, but this could not be accomplished on account of the lack of a quorum.

JOINT K. OF P. INSTALLATION

Germania and Jefferson Lodges Inducted New Officers Into Chairs Last Night.

Last night a joint installation of the officers recently elected by Germania Lodge No. 4 and Jefferson No. 61, K. of P., was held at the Pythian Castle of Germania Lodge. The installing officers were J. W. Duls, G. C.; H. T. Duls, G. V. C.; H. E. Bonitz, G. M. at A., and H. L. Vollers, G. P. The following are the officers of the two lodges for the ensuing term:

GERMANIA LODGE NO. 4.

C. C.—G. F. Seitter.
V. C.—J. W. H. Fuchs.
Prelate—H. F. Haar.
M. of W.—J. Sternberger.
K. R. S.—Jno. Haar.
M. of F.—H. L. Vollers.
M. of E.—F. W. Ortmann.
M. at A.—S. Behrends.
I G.—M. Schnibben.
O. G.—J. F. Soll.

JEFFERSON LODGE NO. 61.

C. C.—Anson Alligood.
V. C.—E. F. Jones.
Prelate—W. L. Williford.
M. of W.—H. E Bonitz.
K. R S.—A. S. Holden.
M. of F.—Robt. S Collins.
M. of E—C. D. Weeks.
M. at A.—L. O Smith.
I. G.—Eugene Forshee.
O. G.—G. W. Branch.

Stonewall and Clarendon lodges will probably instal Monday and Tuesday nights, respectively.

Provisions Stolen.

Tuesday night, at Winnabow, Brunswick county, the smokehouse of Mrs. W. J. Kelly, whose husband died about five weeks ago, was entered by thieves and about 600 pounds of meat and 50 pounds of lard were stolen. The house is built on the ground and entrance was effected by excavation under one of the walls. Mr. Jack Johnson and Capt. W. J. Davis telegraphed to Whiteville and Raleigh for bloodhounds, but at last accounts they had not been successful in procuring them.

AN IMPROMPTU GERMAN.

Given Last Night by Carolina Orchestra in Compliment to L'Agile and L'Arioso German Clubs

A delightful impromptu german was given last night, after the theatre performance, in the Masonic Temple ball room. It was given by the Carolina Orchestra, of Raleigh, to the L'Agile Cotillion and L'Arioso German clubs and was one of the prettiest of the season. A large number of visitors were present and added much to the gaiety of the event.

The dance was beautifully led by Mr. Thos. W. Davis with Miss Nellie Emerson, and twenty-six couples participated as follows: Mr. John James with Miss Sallie London, of Pittsboro; Mr. Platt Davis with Miss Beulah Armstrong; Mr. H. J. McMillan with Miss Nellie Hinsdale, of Raleigh; Mr. J. H. Bunting with Miss Annie Hinsdale, of Raleigh; Mr. H. G. Smallbones, Jr., with Miss Scott, of Greensboro; Mr. W. L. Moore with Miss Neppie Borden; Dr. R E. Zachary with Miss Elizabeth Payne; Mr. A. B. Warfield with Miss Bash, of Kentucky; Mr. Reston Stevenson with Miss Annie Taylor, of Raleigh; Mr. J. T. Munds with Miss Cammie Lord; Mr. H. B. Peschau with Miss Anna Peck; Mr. Geo D. Crow with Miss Annie Kidder; Mr. C. McD. Davis with Miss Oudesluys, of Biltimore; Mr. P. J. Thomas with Miss McCleary, of Baltimore; Mr. T. W. Davis with Miss Nellie Emerson; Mr. Marsden Bellamy, Jr., with Miss Elliott Emerson; Mr. E. M. Beery with Miss Meta LeGrand; Mr. F. H. Smith with Miss Reese, of Baltimore; Mr. Andrew Moreland with Mrs. Moreland; Mr. J. H. Crozier with Miss Annie Blount DeRosset; Mr. E. W. Davis with Miss Downs, of Kentucky; Mr. W. L. Walker with Miss Louise Bellamy; Mr. B. H. Bridgers with Miss Julia Parsley; Mr. Ted Brown with Miss Ida Brown. Mr. R. N. Nash, stag.

FLOOD IN ROANOKE RIVER.

Dyke at Caledonia Farm Swept Away. N. C. Press Association—Island Celebration Being Agitated.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 2.—There is a great freshet in Roanoke river. It has destroyed the dyke on the Caledonia State farm. The loss to the State is estimated at $15,000.

Governor Aycock has named April 10th as the date for the North Carolina Press Association to visit the Charleston Exposition.

The committee in charge of the arrangements for the Roanoke Island celebration decided this afternoon to organize a $250,000 stock company, to be known as the Roanoke Island Exposition Company. It will ask Congress for a $250,000 appropriation for holding a big exposition there during the coming fall. An architect and landscape gardener is to be sent at once to the island to estimate the cost of proper grounds and suitable buildings.

"SAG HARBOR" TO-NIGHT.

Leibler & Company's Magnificent Production Will be Seen at Opera House.

"Sag Harbor" is only "the old story;" the very old but ever new story of true love; but so exquisitely is it handled in his dramatic unfolding that the end—amusement—is reached with the maximum of pleasure (and perhaps profit) to the satiated theatregoer of the play.

"Sag Harbor" is another "Shore Acres," just as strong, just as beautiful and quite as delightful. Captain Dan Marble, the leading character, is one of those great, good-natured souls who want to make everybody happy and who frequently get into a lot of trouble in trying to accomplish this. All the characters, quite without exception, are sympathetically and effectively portrayed by the sterling players. Geo. Woodward, J. Wooster Dean, Mrs. Sol Smith and Chrystal Herne could scarcely be better fitted with parts to show off to full advantage their fine abilities as players. Seats are now on sale.

Mabel Paige Coming.

The clever little actress, Mabel Paige, and a strong supporting company will begin a week's engagement at the Opera House Monday night, with the exception of Wednesday evening, which is surrendered to Innes and his band. The opening bill will be "The Deacon's Daughter," which was immortalized by Annie Pixley in the leading role. Popular prices will prevail throughout the week and on Monday night each lady accompanied by the holder of a paid 30 cents ticket will be admitted free.

Delightful Church Reception.

A delightful church reception will be given this afternoon and evening in Abbie Chadbourn Memorial Hall at the First Presbyterian church. Children under ten years of age will be received in the afternoon and the evening's entertainment will be devoted exclusively to the older people.

It's Not Too Late

for you to get a nice present to give in return. I have sold a large quantity of novelties and other nice goods, but still I have a nice line to select your New Year's gifts from. They are too numerous to mention. J. T. Burke, the jeweller, 27 South Front street. †

Best $1.00 Kid Gloves 50c at Johnson's store. †

FUNERAL YESTERDAY.

Remains of Late Thomas Wright Meares Laid to Rest in Oakdale Cemetery.

SERVICES AT ST. JOHN'S.

Order for the Burial of the Dead Said by Rector of the Parish, Assisted by the Rev. F. H. T. Horsfield, of St. James' Parish.

In the presence of a concourse of friends and relatives which completely filled the large building, the order for the burial of the dead was impressively said over the remains of the late Thomas Wright Meares in St. John's Episcopal church yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The rector of the parish, Rev. Dr. James Carmichael, officiated and he was assisted by Rev. F. H. T. Horsfield, rector of St. James'. It was one of the most largely attended and most representative funerals held from St. John's in many years and expressions of regret at the removal of one so highly esteemed were heard on every hand

The floral tributes were exceedingly handsome and were many in number. The music was by the regular choir and consisted of hymns Nos. 342 and 679, which were appropriate to the sad occasion upon which so many people were in attendance to pay the last sad mark of respect to the deceased.

After the services at the church the funeral cortege moved slowly to Oakdale cemetery, where the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the family lot.

The pall bearers were: Honorary, Capt. Alves Walker, Dr. Geo. G. Thomas, Fred. Kidder, Mr. Pembroke Jones, Mr. R. W. Sweet, Mr. J. R. Kenly, Mr. J. H. Boatwright and Mr. George Rountree; active, Mr. G H. Smith, Capt. E. W. VanC. Lucas, Mr. J. H. Watters, Mr. M. S. Willard, Mr. DeLancy Evans, Mr. D. M. Williams, Mr. J. W. Murchison, and Mr. W. L Parsley.

Among the out-of-town of people here to attend the funeral were Col, and Mrs. H. B. Short, of Lake Waccamaw, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest V. Baltzer, of Lumber, S. C.

Among the emblems were several very handsome ones from friends outside the city, notably at Richmond and several other points in Virginia.

Southport's Weather Tower.

Southport *Standard*: "The steel tower erected by the Weather Bureau on the Garrison now stands out prominently, overlooking the harbor. It is erected there from which storm signals, the flags by day and the lanterns by night, may be displayed by the service. Mr. E B Stevens is due the credit for urging the Bureau to erect the tower there and its service is very well known to seafaring men and men engaged in shipping, as well as our local interests. The tower proper is 50 feet high, the four corner posts resting firmly in concrete beds, and from the top of the tower is a flag pole 25 feet high, making the top 75 feet above the ground or about 88 feet above the water. The display flags are to be raised by halyards, the lanterns are to be raised by a windlass.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. N. A. Currie, of Clarkton, is at The Orton.

— Mr. Walter Rivenbark, of Burgaw was here yesterday.

— Mr. Z. V. Croom returned yesterday morning from Burgaw.

— Mr. M. W. Hilbun, of Malmo, N. C., was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. W. Carter, a prominent merchant of Maxton is at The Orton.

— Mr. S. B. Hughes, of Iredell, Brunswick county, made business calls in the city yesterday.

— Capt. A. W. Wiggs, of Lumberton, N. C., is in the city for a few days on a visit to friends and relatives.

— Mr. Thos. Dollar, of Dunn, N. C., is visiting in the city for a few days, the guest of his son, Mr. C. H. Dollar.

— Friends will be gratified to know that there was a slight change in the condition of Mr. J. H. Chadbourn yesterday.

— Mr. J. A. Stone, of Little River, S. C., passed through the city yesterday returning to Chapel Hill to resume his medical studies. Most of the Wilmington University students will return to-night.

— Mr. R. H. Mason left yesterday afternoon for Columbia, S. C., to take work as a telegraph operator with the Southern railway. Before the holidays he was with the N. & W. at Bluefield, W. Va.

— Southport *Standard*: Mr. J. E. Ruark returned from Penn's Grove, N. J., Christmas week and spent the holidays in his old home. He has accepted a position with Brooks & Taylor, in Wilmington' where his friends may find him hard at work in the future."

Funeral in Richmond.

The funeral of little Dorothy Diggs, whose sad death has been chronicled in these columns, took place at noon yesterday in Richmond, Va., the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Diggs. The funeral was from the residence, 219 South Fourth street, and the interment was at Hollywood cemetery.

Sale of the Johnson stock begins today at 9 A. M. †

At The Opera House.

Too much cannot be said in praise of "Monte Cristo" by Mr. James O'Neill and his clever supporting company as it was presented last evening at the theatre. A large and fashionable audience greeted the play and all are enthusiastic in their words of commendation. Almost every member of the cast is a star, and the performance may well be termed the gem of the theatrical season thus far. The company leaves this morning for Norfolk to night and Richmond to-morrow night.

Mr. Gore Endorsed.

A special to the Raleigh *News and Observer* from Greensboro says: "Several business men and leading Republicans of this city have written to Senator Pritchard endorsing Mr. D. L. Gore for the position of collector of customs at the port of Wilmington, to succeed Jno. C. Dancy, colored. Mr. Gore is one of the best known business men and capitalists of Wilmington, and has been identified with the sound money element of the Democratic party. It is understood that Senator Pritchard favors the appointment of such a man in preference to a Republican to the position."

Everybody go to Johnson's store today. †

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Executor's Notice.

Having qualified as Executor of the estate of the late Mrs. Rebecca C. Stolter, I hereby notify all persons having claims against her estate to present the same on or before January 2, 1903, otherwise they will be barred. All persons indebted to the estate are requested to make prompt settlement.
January 2, 1902.
JOEL F. STOLTER,
Ex Executor.
Ja 3 4t

THE CLIMAX.

The Climax Barber Shop, as its name indicates, has reached the highest point of style and excellence. Give us a trial and you will receive polite attention and high class workmanship.
GUION & DAVIS,
dec 4 tf 7 South Front St.

Opera House
Monday, January 6th.
ONE WEEK (except Wednesday, January 8th).
MABEL PAIGE,
supported by the Southern Star Company.
MONDAY NIGHT:
"THE DEACON'S DAUGHTER."
Prices—10, 20 and 30 cents.
Ladies', on Monday night if accompanied by a paid 30 cent ticket. Jan 3 3t

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States, for the Eastern District of North Carolina In the matter of F. A. Montgomery, bankrupt. In Bankruptcy. To the creditors of F. A. Montgomery, of Wilmington, in the county of New Hanover, in said District, Bankrupt: Notice is hereby given that on the 3 st day of December, A D 1901, the said F. A. Montgomery was duly adjudged a bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned Referee in Bankruptcy, in Fayetteville, in said district, on the 13 h day of January, A. D. 1902, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before the said meeting. If examination of bankrupt is desired advise me.
Fayetteville, N. C., December 31, 1901.
SAMUEL H MACRAE,
Ja 3 1t Referee in Bankruptcy.

Valuable Land Sale.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
COUNTY OF NEW HANOVER. Superior Court.

Pursuant to a judgment of the Superior Court in a proceeding wherein James Williams, Robert Williams, Josephine Henry and Lena Swann are plaintiffs, versus Evilina Meares Hubert is defendant, the undersigned Commissioner, appointed in said cause, will expose at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House door, New Hanover county, at 12 o'clock M., on Tuesday, the 4th day of February, 1902, the following described real estate, situate in the City of Wilmington, N. C.:

Beginning at a point in the western line of Seventh street, 153 feet south of where the said western line of seventh street is intersected by the southern line of Church street, running thence westwardly parallel with Church street 106 feet, thence northwardly parallel with Seventh street 45 feet thence eastwardly parallel with Church street 106 feet to the western line of Seventh street 45 feet, to the beginning, being a part of the eastern parts of lots 2 and 3, in Block 92, in the plan of the city aforesaid.
GEO. H. HOWELL,
Commissioner.
EMPIE & EMPIE,
Attorneys for Plaintiffs.
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"A MERRY XMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL."

Thanking you for past favors we ask a continuance of the same.

Mercer & Evans Co.
dec 25 tf

New Goods.

Bagging and Ties,
New Mullets,
FIRST PAT. FLOUR,
2ND PAT. FLOUR,
STRAIGHT FLOUR,
SUGAR, COFFEE, RICE,
MEAL, GRITS, MOLASSES
WHEAT BRAN,
CANNED GOODS, SOAP,
LYE, STARCH, SALT, &c.
Send me your orders.
Special attention given to consignments.
S. P. McNAIR.
an 28 tf

DRESSING IN THE COLD

Is uncomfortable, and it is annoying to have to build a fire in the Stove. Both these disagreeable features are done away with if you have a Gas Radiator in your bedroom.

No dirt. No annoyance.
Wilmington Gas Light Co.
Jan 3 tf

Compound Interest

Is like a third arm, working for you day and night. The results realized from depositing a few dollars regularly in our bank at 4 per cent. interest, compounded quarterly, are really wonderful. Call by the bank for a card showing how much the compound interest on amounts of $1 00 to $100 00, deposited monthly, will amount to in one to ten years. We help you to save. Try us.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company,
108 Princess Street.
J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President.
C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.
Jan 3 tf

Notice to Depositors!

Interest for the quarter ending December 31st, 1901, is now due and payable. Depositors who have had as much as $5 00 on deposit for three months or more are requested to bring in their books at their convenience to have interest entered

The People's Savings Bank,
Opposite the Postoffice.
H. C. McQUEEN, President. JNO. S. ARMSTRONG, Vice President.
Jan 3 tf F. W. DICK, Cashier.

A NEW SUIT FOR NEW YEAR'S

Will be the correct thing for you if you leave your order now with LEGER MEYER, the tailor. We make suits to order, perfect fitting, correct in style, at from $20 to $50. You have a great variety of exclusive patterns to choose from.

LEGER MEYER,
The People's Tailor,
27 Market Near Front,
Open to 10 P. M. dec 18 tf

Esquimaux

Don't have much use for stoves. A fire in the middle of a snow hut, with an infinitesimal hole for a chimney, is good enough for them. But such an arrangement wouldn't be considered "just the thing" in this latitude. Here people need stoves and we keep them for sale—Parlor Stoves, Kitchen Stoves, Small Bedroom Stoves, and many odd sorts. The prices are adapted to persons with non-millionairish purses, too.

We have, too, a complete stock of Hardware, Agricultural Implements, Ammunition, &c.

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RAILROAD BUILDING LAST YEAR.

Last year made a good record for railroad building, the best since 1890, and not very far behind that. The following condensation of the report made by the *Railway Age*, (an accepted authority on such matters), we clip from the New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin*.

"The *Railway Age* has recently issued its annual record of railroad building in the United States. It shows a total of 5 057 miles in 1901, compared with 4,437 miles in 1900. In view of the fact that the country is supposed to be pretty well provided with railroad facilities and that the community of interest is supposed to have placed a damper on new construction, the year's total demands more than passing attention.

It is noted that the Southwest takes the palm for the year, that Texas leads, with 583 miles of new line, distributed among twenty-three roads, and that the Rock Island leads all others with the longest single line of 265 miles, to which might well be added 128 miles of the El Paso and Northeastern from Santa Rosa to Carrizozo, N. M., which will be completed by February 1st. The Rock Island extension proper extends from Liberal, Kan., to Santa Rosa, N. M.

"Had it been possible to obtain rails on all orders in shops the construction would have largely exceeded the figure. The figures given show building in forty-three States and Territories on 332 lines, distributed as follows:

TRACK LAID FROM JAN. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1901.

	No. Lines.	Miles.
Alabama	12	102 97
Arizona	3	85 04
Arkansas	13	155 91
California	8	83 94
Colorada	5	108 27
Florida	8	59 80
Georgia	12	208 45
Idaho	3	117 40
Illinois	10	164 59
Indiana	6	174 37
Indian Ter	5	157 15
Iowa	11	90 34
Kansas	3	33 10
Kentucky	4	37 24
Louisiana	15	160 72
Maine	1	12
Maryland	2	26
Michigan	17	164 35
Minnesota	8	170 80
Mississippi	9	98 46
Missouri	12	189 7
Montana	4	127 66
Nevada	1	40 20
N. Hamp	1	10 11
New Jersey	1	2 60
New Mexico	3	275 49
New York	6	29 29
N. Carolina	7	72 90
N. Dakota	5	120 72
Ohio	6	67 16
Oklahoma Ter	7	427 82
Oregon	2	7 21
Pennsylvania	33	153 02
S. Carolina	3	47 50
S. Dakota	2	38 60
Tennessee	15	125 13
Texas	23	583 60
Utah	3	4 70
Virginia	6	26 60
Washington	9	134 34
W. Virginia	15	100 85
Wisconsin	12	195 75
Wyoming	3	77 09
Total in 43 States and Territories	332	5 057 45.

The following is a compartive table showing the building by years, beginning with 1887:

	Miles.		Miles.
1887	12 983	1895	1.803
1888	7,106	1896	1 848
1889	5 230	1897	1 880
1890	5 670	1898	3 083
1891	4 281	1899	4.588
1892	4,192	1900	4 437
1893	2,635	1901	5,057
1804	1,949		

Groupings show the following results: Fifteen Southern States, 1,983 miles; six Southwestern States (Missouri, Kansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Texas and New Mexico), 1 665 miles; Central Northern States (Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin), 766 miles; Northwestern States, 22 miles.

While this is interesting generally as showing progress and development, the especially interesting feature to the Southern reader is that nearly three-fourths of this new mileage was in the South and Southwest, which for some years to come will be the field of activity in railroad building. This for two reasons—first because more roads are necessary to transport the increasing products of this section and because these products are constantly increasing. The New England and central Western States are so well supplied with roads that there will be but little building in these, proof of which is given in the exhibit of construction for the past year, and consequently capital will find its field in the new sections where more roads are needed and where there will be plenty of work for the roads to do when built. But there is another reason why railroad building will go on in the South and Southwest.

Roads can be built for less money as a general thing in this section than in others, because labor costs less and work can be carried on throughout the whole year, the winters not being severe enough to interfere; timber is more abundant and more conveniently within reach and in some of the States convict labor may be obtained at a nominal or at least a moderate cost. All these things amount to considerable in the aggregate, and makes building cost less in the South than in other sections where the same topographical conditions are presented.

The building of one road calls for and encourages more because the development of the country which follows means more production, which makes more work for the railroad, and others seeing the good results are stimulated to road building in other sections. Every road of any length that is built must and will have branches, whether these be built by the company owning the road or by others, and every one of these branches will, in time, be extended until it makes connection with some other road and thus becomes practically a part of a main line. Some of the most important roads we now have in the country were built in this way, the filling in of gaps between short lines, originally merely local roads, giving a continuous line and practically a main line, connecting with the various roads of the systems in the section in which they are located.

But there is another thing which will stimulate railroad building in the South and that is the phenomenal discoveries of oil, which in connection with the immense deposits of iron and coal and the vast resources in timber will eventually make this the great manufacturing section of the country, for cheap oil means cheap fuel to operate railroads and manufacturing plants. What the effect of these oil discovering will be in hastening industrial development in this section, and the extent of it, it is simply impossible to forecast, but that the stimulus will be great and the extent immense no one doubts for a moment. All this means more and continued activity in railroad building in this section until the demands are supplied, which will not be for years to come.

SENSIBLE TALK.

The negroes had their day at the Charleston Exposition Wednesday, and had the benefit of a very sensible speech from one of their own race, T. E. Miller, President of the State Colored College, at Orangeburg. The title of his address was, "Learn to Labor and to Wait," a very appropriate theme when addressing an audience of negroes.

Judging from the brief report of it as given by wire, it was a sensible speech and presented food for reflection for negroes who think of their condition and ways of bettering it. Speaking of the race line, he said:

"The white man of the South is the white man of the Northeast; the white man of the South is the white man wherever the American eagle spreads its wings.

"We have friends across the Mason and Dixon line. They spend their treasures to assist in elevating us, but we have them by the millions all around us on this side of the line.

"Let me say that there is no such thing as social equality anywhere in the world and that no sane white man or negro should pay any attention to the clatter about social equality, for it is all bosh to talk about it. No sensible negro aims at it or expects it."

This man realizes that the white man is a white man everywhere and that as far as racial lines go they are drawn as tightly in the States of the North as they are in the States of the South and that he who kicks against that is simply kicking against the inevitable and the immutable, against a law which has existed since races have been on the earth and will continue to exist while races exist.

Another thing he realizes is that this line does not deprive the negro of friends among those who insist upon it and that he has as many friends in the South as he has anywhere. He might have said more, for there is no section of the country in which the well disposed negro, who labors for his betterment in a proper, inoffensive way, will find as much co-operation by and assistance from white people as he will in the South. A negro of good, reliable reputation will always find some white man who can and will aid him in his efforts to do well, provided those efforts are on lines of industry, and that negro is not getting outside of his domain and trying to live on some one else. There are thousands of negroes throughout the South who are prosperous, and who owe their prosperity in a great measure to the kindly interest taken in them by white friends.

THE RECORD BREAKER AS A GIVER.

There have been a good many liberal givers in this country, men who have given for charitable and educational purposes millions of dollars, but for a steady munificent giver Andrew Carnegie holds the record for the world. He began in 1899 to illustrate what he meant when he said in one of his published magazine articles that "To die rich is to die disgraced." Ever since then he has been giving away millions annually, but he will have to give even more liberally than he is now doing to "die disgraced."

He began in 1899 with gifts amounting to $5,000,000, and since then has given away $60,000,000; but he still has left about $250,000,000, and has an annual income of from $10,000,000 to $12,500,000. He is now about 64 years old, apparently in good health and vigorous, and assuming that he will live ten or twenty years longer, which he may as he takes pretty good care of himself and avoids excesses, he would have to give his millions very freely to get away with his $250,000,000, and by that time his income would have added $100,000,000 or more to it.

Most of the money that Mr. Carnegie is donating and most of that donated by other men of wealth, is going to educational institutions, schools, libraries, &c., but may be some day they will turn their attention to the insane asylums of the land and in them a field where they could put some of their millions to good purpose and confer an infinite blessing on a class of our afflicted who do not receive the attention they should.

A Kentucky inventor and electrician, who has the reputation of being somewhat eccentric, gave some exhibitions in wireless telephoning a few days ago talking to people at a distance of 2,000 yards. On Christmas eve he thus chatted with a neighbor who lived a half a mile from him. He contends that the earth is wrapped in a cover of electricity and that conversation may be carried on at any distance with the proper receivers.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Booker Washington did not take part in the exercises of Negro Day at the Exposition, which is, perhaps, just as well. Since the White House Dinner he is not by any means the important figure in the advancement of his race's interests in the South he was thought to be.—*Charleston, Post, Ind.*

—— Congressman Glenn, of Idaho, says he has been successful in life because he used to be busy while his neighbors slept. The Salt Lake *Herald* suggests that, instead of going to Congress, men have been known to go to jail for pursuing the same habit.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— The per capita taxation for military purposes—if we include the payments for pensions—is as large in the United States as the per capita taxation of the great European Powers for like purposes. We are getting along as "a World Power" with headlong speed.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

——Those Northwestern Governors seem to be in earnest in their fight on the great railway merger up their way. What the result of the struggle will be, it is impossible at this stage of proceedings to guess, but the country as a whole will be with the Governors so far as their effort is to prevent monopoly.—*Richmond Dispatch Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Advice—That which would keep the world well fed if it were only meant to be eaten, instead of acted upon.—*Exchange.*

—"Always pay as you go," said Uncle Dudley. "But, uncle, suppose I've nothing to pay with?" "Then don't go."—*Tit-Bits.*

— Merritt—A man shouldn't bother a woman by talking business. Corn—That's right, dear. If you mean business, go talk to papa.—*Smart Set.*

— He—I wish I knew a decent restaurant to take you to. She—Why not take me to an indecent one?—you get so much better food.—*Brooklyn Life*

— Mrs. Bargain—Oh, Ethel, I have just talked Edward Hill into giving me the money for a new hat, Mr. Bargain—Which I shall enter in my accouts as hush money.

— New Arrival—And are there worse tortures yet? Satan—Are there? Why over there in that side room I have a bunch of society folks playing an endless game of progressive euchre. *Baltimore World.*

— "Say, Swipsey, w'y is it dat de teacher mauls de rest o' de gang to beat de band and never touches you?" "Aw, say! Ain't youse kids on? He knows I swallered a dynamite cap last night!—*San Francisco Bulletin*

— "De Graft is one of the most remarkably successful financiers this city has produced in a decade." "I thought he was broke." "Broke! Why, that man can write his debts in six figures!"—*Indianapolis News.*

— Real Pleasure: Her Father—Aha! I caught you kissing my daughter, sir! What do you mean by that sort of business? He—I don't consider it business at all, sir, but pleasure, purely pleasure.—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Mother—Yes, Rupert, the baby is a Christmas present from the angels. Rupert (aged four)—Well Mamma, if we lay him away carefully and don't use him we can give him to somebody else next Christmas.—*Puck.*

Cholly—I said something to Miss Quickstep the other day, and all she said was that children and fools speak the truth. I wonder, baw jove, if she meant anything personal! Miss De Muir—Certainly not. Everybody knows you're no child.—*Chicago Tribune.*

— Nancy (trying to pick up some stitching in a stocking)— Oh, dear, I can't do this, Aunt—You must have patience, dear child. Don't you know Rome was not built in a day? Nancy (indignantly)—If God had made heaven and earth in six days I guess it didn't take him more than twenty minutes to make Rome —*Life*

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It is a mystery why women endure Backache, Headache, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Fainting and Dizzy Spells when thousands have proved that Electric Bitters will quickly cure such troubles. "I suffered for years with Kidney trouble," writes Mrs. Phebe Cherley, of Peterson, Ia., "and a lame back pained me so I could not dress myself, but Electric Bitters wholly cured me, and, although 73 years old, I now am able to do all my housework." It overcomes constipation, improves appetite and gives perfect health. Only 50 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Chatham *Record*: We regret to hear of the death of Col. Isaac T. Brooks, of Hickory Mountain township, who died on last Monday, aged about 70 years. He was one of Chatham's most prominent and respected citizens.

— High Point *Enterprise*: Augustus Gray, a five year-old negro boy, was shot Tuesday night of last week by Sam Crutchfield, a negro man, at the home of the latter, in the eastern part of town. The parents of the boy were away at the time. We are informed that Crutchfield entered the house in an intoxicated state and soon afterward the report of a pisto) was heard. The ball was of 32-calibre and entered the forehead just to the left. The child lived a few hours after it was wounded. When the father and the mother returned they found the child in a dying condition. Crutchfield was soon found, and when asked why he committed the crime replied that they were lying. It is thought by some that it was an accident, due to the careless handling of the pistol by the intoxicated man, while others think it was a case of drunken murder. Crutchfield was given a hearing Christmas morning, and in default of $400 bond he was carried to jail in Greensboro to await court.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Mrs. Annie Davis, aged ninety years, was burned to death in her home near Germanton Tuesday evening. She was sitting by the fire place when her dress ignited. Her chair was burned up. —— Jim Lowery, the Shelby murderer, upon whose head a price of $700 is set, is a young negro, nearly white, slender in build, with high cheek bones, rather aquiline features, and rather dudish in appearance. Several men who look no more like him than does the sphynx of Egypt have been captured and Sheriff Smith has spent a small fortune identifying him in Asheville, N. C.; Richmond, Va.; Atlanta, Ga.; Columbia, S. C., when Jim Lowery has never been one hundred miles away since his atrocious murder. —— Dr. Kellebrew, of Edgecomb county, has made for the year 1901 the following record in the egg business: From 722 settings he got 526 hatches. He sold 18,200 eggs for $221.57, consumed at his table 20,892 and received an average of 14 cents per dozen for those sold. The entire cost of production was $123 40, leaving him a cash profit of $100,17.

— Clinton *Democrat*: Mrs. J. T. Westbrook died at her home in Newton Grove township, on the evening of December 27th, of pneumonia. —— Miss Kittie May King, oldest daughter of Mr. James King, of Hall's township, died of pneumonia on Sunday morning, December 15th. ——The instinct of the canine creation is often surprising, particularly that of bird dogs, but the most wonderful intelligent acts we ever knew along this line were those of Dr. Frank Herring's dog "Rod." Dr. Herring came over from Mount Olive, his home, bringing his dog with him for a few days hunt with his father, Mr. O. F. Herring. After staying a day or so, doing fine work, the dog decided to leave his master and run up to Mount Olive to see if things were going on right at home; so he came to Clinton just in time to take the outgoing train, which he did with perfect composure, making the change at Warsaw as well as a person and got off at Mount Olive. After staying there a day or so, he boarded the south-bound train for Clinton, made the change at Warsaw as before, and when he reached Clinton deliberately got off, went to the store of Mr. B. E. Herring (a brother of the Doctor) and inquired the way out to the Herring home (in dog language of course). Now, this is not a fake, but a fact.

Process Too Expensive.

Warts are curious things. They come and go mysteriously, although their going is frequently marked by exasperating delays, and there are almost as many infallible cures as there are warts, the only trouble with these cures being that they are useless when applied to the particular wart you happen to have. They are only good for other people's.

"In my opinion,' said a clubman who was discussing the subject with a friend one day, "a wart is merely the outward correspondence of some mental excrescence. Get rid of that, and it goes away.

"Let me give you a bit of my own experience," he continued. "Last year I went to Europe. For about three years I had had a wart on my little finger, on which I had tried everything I could hear of, but without effect. It only grew larger.

"Well, in the excitement of preparing for the trip and of the journey itself I forgot all about my wart, and when I looked for it about six weeks later it had vanished without leaving the slightest mark. I simply forgot it, and it had no mental condition to feed on. I see you have one on the back of your hand. Forget all about it for a few weeks, and it will go away of itself."

"Yes," said the other clubman, shrugging his shoulders, "but I can't afford to take a trip to Europe for the sake of curing one wart."

Sewing Done by Ants.

Ants are credited with so many marvelous accomplishments that a new one must be remarkable to the noteworthy. Mr. E. G. Green of Ceylon, an authority upon insect habits, has, however, made an observation which is well worth putting on record. He has watched red ants holding grubs in their mouths and using the web they spin to repair a rent in their nest.

Some leaves which had been fastened together by the ants were separated by Mr. Green, and in a short time after he saw small white grubs being passed backward and forward across the gap. Closer observation showed that each grub was held in the jaws of one of the worker ants, and its movements were directed as required. A continuous thread of silk issued from the mouth of each grub and was used by the ants to sew up the rent in their shelter.

There were no grubs in the neighborhood, and those used were obtained from a nest at some distance. This deliberate use of a naturally formed web as a sewing thread is as astonishing as any instance of the intelligence of ants yet observed.

Old Soldiers' Experience.

M. M. Austin, a civil war veteran, of Winchester, Ind., writes: "My wife was sick a long time in spite of good doctor's treatment, but was wholly cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills, which worked wonders for her health." They always do. Try them. Only 25 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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No land in a state of nature is sufficiently fertile to grow cauliflower to a high degree of perfection. As so much manure is required, it matters less what the quality of the land may be

FINE CAULIFLOWERS.

than what the water supply. Thirty or forty thousand pounds per acre of barnyard manure suffice to make the soil conform to requirements, no matter what its previous condition may have been.

Cultivation requirements are about the same as those of cabbage, though a little more exacting. At the Texas experiment station, where the soil is about as unfavorable as possible, as high as $703.50 worth per acre has been grown, and it is claimed that the land on which this crop was grown was not sufficiently manured.

Cauliflower has been successfully grown at the Beeville substation by irrigation, and it is a specialty with many truck growers in that section. The cut is a photo of three specimens grown by a successful truck farmer of Beeville, Tex.

POINTS ON TOBACCO.

Cultivation, Worms, Topping, Suckering and Harvesting.

I aim to cultivate the crop about five times, not so much how I plow, but when I plow, says an Ohio Farmer writer; first stirring, ten days after planting; last plowing, ten days after topping.

As to worms, they are sure to come. I always aim to be ready for them. Up to this crop I have used poison in liquid form, and it has always given satisfaction.

I shall also try one pound of paris green to one bushel of air slacked lime and put it on by using tin can or basket by perforating bottom with holes. I shall begin to use this at the second plowing. One or two applications will be all that is needed. At the third cultivation we aim to cut out all grass, milkweeds, pea vines or anything of like nature that may have escaped the shovels.

As to hoeing, that is out of the question. Our hoeing is done with a riding cultivator.

Topping is the staggering point to a great many growers of the weed. Generally when the time comes to top the weather is dry, and we would like to top after a good rain, for then it will commence to spread at once, and that is what we top for. On Tobacco Leaf farm we aim to top as near clean as possible, for as it is topped so will it ripen.

Suckering should be commenced in about ten days after the tops have been taken out. Then they will have become about two inches long. The crop should be cleaned twice before cutting. This is one of the back aches of the grower, but it must be done, or you will repent when the crop is being stripped and packed. We generally begin to harvest the latter part of August.

The Happy Truck Farmer.

Truck farming differs from the growing of ordinary field crops in that not so much land is needed for this work; hence the location of the home can be found in the suburbs of towns and cities, where both the advantages of city and rural life can be enjoyed. This is my ideal home. A man upon such a truck farm is a king, surrounded by the best influences of earth, away from the temptations and excitement of the city and close enough to take advantage of its schools, churches, water, lights, etc. He is in touch with the great pulsating heart of nature, her invigorating atmosphere, her balmy sunshine, pure water, the song of the birds, the hum of the bees and the aroma of the flowers. What more enticing surroundings could a man need to lead a pure and happy life, which is the ultimate object and aim of human ambition when simmered down to its elements?—Farm and Ranch.

Salt Valuable on Barley.

Common salt, which has long had a reputation with many farmers for its value as a fertilizer for barley, while others disbelieved in its efficacy, has been shown at the Canadian experiment farms to be a most valuable agent for producing an increased crop of that grain, while it is of much less use when applied to crops of spring wheat or oats. Land plaster or gypsum has also proved to be of some value as a fertilizer for barley, while of very little service for wheat or oats.

The Heart of a Mouse.

A tiny mouse who lived near the house of a magician begged him to save her from the cat of whom she lived in deadly terror.

So the magician changed the mouse into a cat, and she went away delighted.

In a few days she came back again in terror. "Oh, save me, save me now from the dog," she begged.

And the magician changed her to a dog.

A few days more, and back she came —this time in deadly fear of a tiger.

"Nonsense," said the magician. "You have only the heart of a mouse, and afraid you will always be. It is the heart that tells!"

Use Hard Beds.

A German doctor advises the adoption of a hard bed and that children should be trained from the beginning to sleep upon no other kind. It is certainly true that as a rule the hard bed conduces to the most refreshing kind of sleep, the feather bed, so dearly loved by our grandmothers, being enervating in the extreme and encouraging weakness of mind in the matter of getting up in the morning.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

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When a man is drowning his rescue is a question of timely help. It is the same thing in disease. Many a time the doctor says of a man whose condition is hopeless, "If you'd begun in time you might have been cured."

This is especially true when the disease affects the lungs. Delay is dangerous. The timely use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will result in a quick cure of deep-seated coughs, bronchitis, and weak lungs. Even when hemorrhages have been frequent and profuse "Golden Medical Discovery" has been used time and again with the result of a perfect and permanent cure. Mr. McCauley, of Leechburg, Armstrong Co., Pa., had eighty-one hemorrhages, and after other medical aid had failed he was completely cured by the use of "Golden Medical Discovery."

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Storing sweet potatoes in cottonseed hulls, cotton seed and sand in the usual way has given best results at the South Carolina station. Storing in straw has given the poorest results. It appears that cottonseed hulls are admirably adapted for use in storing sweet potatoes. The same is true for cotton seed, only to a less extent.

The World's Space.

A statistician asserts that when 350 years shall have passed the density of the earth's population will be so great that each person will have only two-thirds of an acre, which space will have to suffice for all purposes—agriculture, roads, houses, parks, railways, etc. He estimates the present population of the earth at 1,600,000,000 and says that in 2250 it will be 52,073,000,000.

A Useful Mother-in-law.

"After all, a mother-in-law is a pretty good thing to have sometimes."

"What wonderful experience have you been having lately?"

"My wife was afraid to discharge our cook, and she wouldn't go for me, so we sent for Birdie's mother and turned her loose in the kitchen. They smashed some of the furniture, but the cook's gone."

Running the Gantlet.

Running the gantlet as a military punishment was, it is said, originated by Gustavus Adolphus to punish thieves in his army. It was borrowed by the English from the Germans, who copied it from Gustavus, and, being employed in the British regiments in America, was readily taken up by the Indians of this country.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged. The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6¾
Standard		@	6¾
Burlaps	6	@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	13½	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	9	@	10
Shoulders ℔ ℔	9	@	9½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	9	@	9¼
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	8½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 25	@	1 35
Second-hand machine	1 25	@	1 35
New New York, each		@	1 35
New City, each		@	1 35
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	18
Northern	22	@	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	75	@	76
Virginia Meal	75	@	76
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 25	@	1 30
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	11	@	12½
Rio	7½	@	11
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¼
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	90
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 50	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	7 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	6	@	10
" Extra	4 00	@	5 00
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade	3 00	@	3 25
Choice	3 50	@	3 75
Straight	4 00	@	4 25
Fine Patent	4 50	@	4 75
GLUE—℔ ℔—			
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	78	@	85
Mixed Corn	76	@	84
Oats, from store (mixed)		@	55
Oats, Rust Proof	73	@	80
Cow Peas	85	@	90
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted	4	@	5
Dry flint	10	@	11
Dry salt	9	@	10
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
No 1 Timothy	1 00	@	1 05
Rice Straw		@	60
Eastern		@	90
Western	90	@	95
North River		@	1 00
N. C. Crop	75	@	80
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔—			3
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	13½	@	14
Dairy Cream	12	@	13½
Half cream	10	@	12½
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	9	@	9½
North Carolina	10	@	12½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 10	@	1 25
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	16 50
Rump		@	18 50
Prime		@	15 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	11	@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 35
Liverpool		@	90
American		@	90
On 100 ℔ Sacks	50	@	60
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5	@	5½
Standard A	5	@	5¼
White Extra C	4¾	@	5
Extra C, Golden	4½	@	4¾
C Yellow	4	@	4¼
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	13 00	@	30 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	15 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	19 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	32
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	26	@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	26	@	33
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	17	@	27
NAILS, ℔ Keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 40	@	2 50
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	8 00	@	9 00
Common mill	4 00	@	5 00
Fair mill	5 00	@	6 50
Prime mill	6 00	@	7 50
Extra mill	8 00	@	9 50
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 6x24 heart—	6 00	@	7 00
Sap	5 00	@	6 00
6x30 Heart	3 50	@	4 00
" Sap	2 50	@	3 00
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon Northern		@	1 10

Dr. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION FOR WEAK WOMEN.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing of the Produce Exchange.)

STAR OFFICE, January 3.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market quiet at 36¢ per gallon for machine made casks and 35c per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market steady at $1 00 per barrel for strained and $1 05 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.20 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market quiet at $1.10 per barrel for hard, $2.00 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 35@35½c bid; rosin firm at $1.30@1 35; tar firm at $1.30; crude turpentine quiet at $1.30 @2.30.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	32
Rosin	225
Tar	117
Crude turpentine	86

Receipts same day last year—37 casks spirits turpentine, 467 barrels rosin, 343 barrels tar, 11 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7¾c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5 7-16	cts. ℔ lb
Good ordinary	6 13-16	" "
Low middling	7 7-16	" "
Middling	7¾	" "
Good middling	8 3-16	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 9½c for middling.

Receipts—50 bales; same day last year, 29.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 65c; extra prime, 70c; fancy, 75c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c. Spanish, 70@75c.

CORN—Firm; 82½@85c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 13@14c; sides, 13@14c.

EGGS—Firm at 20@22c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 20@22c; springs, 10 to 20c.

TURKEYS—Dressed, firm at 15@17½c; live, 10@12c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@60c per bushel.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Money on call was firm at 6@10 per cent., the market closing, bid and asked, 8@9 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange easier, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486¼@486¾ for demand and at 483¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 484¾ and 487½. Commercial bills 482¾@483¾. Bar silver quoted 55½. Mexican dollars 44. Government bonds irregular. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds irregular. U S. refunding 2's, registered, 108½; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, ex dividend, 108¾; U. S 3's, registered, ex dividend, 107¾; do. coupon, 108½; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 139½; do. coupon 139½; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 111¾; do. coupon, ex dividend, 111¾; U. S. 5's reg'd, 107½; do. coupon, 107¼; Southern Railway, 5's, ex dividend, 121¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 107¼; Chesapeake & Ohio 48¾; Manhattan L 137¼; N. Y. Central 168¼; Reading 58¾; do. 1st pref'd 83½; do. 2nd pref'd 66; St. Paul 167½; do. pref'd, 188; Southern R'way 34½; do. pref'd 94¼; Amalgamated Copper 70; Am'n Tobacco —; People's Gas 104½; Sugar

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The Directors of the Atlantic National Bank having declared the usual dividend of one per cent. on the capital stock for the month of December, same is now payable. Resident stockholders will please call for their checks.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

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1,016 Bags, 200 pound, Salt.
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STOCK AND DAIRY.

The Stock Farmer the Coming Man. Good Profit in Dairying.

I believe that the farmer should raise as near pure bred stock as possible. The razorback hog and the longhorn cow have no place under fence. When I was a boy, it was considered a waste to feed an ear of corn to anything but a horse in winter time. A cow would not eat anything but grass, and the hog made his own living in the woods.

The stock farmer is the coming man in my opinion. The man who raises corn and stock and feeds his corn to the stock will be successful. A man who raises corn and sells it for 25 cents or 30 cents per bushel cannot make any money, but by feeding it to his cattle he is sure to make money. By feeding a calf until he is 2½ years old he can be sold for $50. My principal interest is in farming and stock raising.

Some 12 years ago I employed a dairyman and bought a herd of Jersey cattle. I have been developing my dairy herd until now I am milking over 125 cows. This year I will sell $10,000 worth of milk, cream and butter from my dairy. However, that is not all profit. My cows pay me a very good per cent on the amount invested. I have no trouble in selling my products.

I have 1,000 acres in cultivation, and the most profitable part of my farm is the dairy. I believe that every farmer should raise some beef cattle.—Governor Jester, Texas.

THE PICKLE WORM.

Summer Squash a Good Trap Crop. Clean Culture a Preventive.

The pickle worm is destructive mainly to the fruit of the cantaloupe, squash and cucumber by eating cavities or channels in the rind or by boring quite to the interior. The first crop of cucurbits, as a rule, escapes its ravages, but late cucurbits are usually badly infested.

In the north the pickle worm may be injurious only during occasional years, but in the south, particularly the Carolinas, Georgia and Florida, cucurbit fields are rarely free from it during late summer and fall.

CANTALOUPE AND PICKLE WORMS.

The pickle worm feeds on most varieties of cucurbits, but it has a decided preference for the squash; therefore trap plants of summer squash are used as a protection, and as the trap crop must be kept growing as long as protection is necessary seed is planted every two weeks or so.

The Georgia station in their advising in regard to this worm says:

As with most other insects, clean culture will here be of value. Collect and burn the old cucurbit vines. Trash in fence corners should be carefully raked out and burned during the winter.

Cold Curing Takes the Cheese.

Experiments in cheese curing which have been conducted for two years at the Geneva (N. Y.) experiment station have results of the highest importance from the commercial standpoint. Cheeses have been cured at temperatures varying from 55 degrees F. to 80 degrees F., the higher temperatures representing the common factory conditions.

Of the cheeses made in 1899 those cured at 60 degrees F. and below scored on the average almost five points higher on flavor and 2.5 points higher on texture than those cured at 65 degrees F. and above. In 1900 the average difference in flavor of the lower temperature was 5.1 points on flavor and 2.7 points on texture.

This is a matter well worth the attention of all cheese factory managers, because these differences in commercial quality are sufficient to cause important differences in the selling price.

Fall Gardening In the South.

It is not too late to plant speckle peas. Late roasting ears can still be planted. Use some quick maturing variety of corn.

Now is the time to prepare land for turnips and fall potatoes and to sow late cabbage seed for winter crop. Any time up to Aug. 20 will do for turnips and potatoes.

Make the soil very fine. After the seed are sown run roller over them. In this way you will be more sure to get a good stand.

Slips cut from tomato vines and set now will make excellent crop of fall tomatoes.

It is a good time to begin preparing patch for setting strawberries.—Southern Cultivator.

One View of the Lister.

I am sorry to see the lister used very freely in some parts of Illinois on the prairie soil. This tool is a sort of rotating instrument and, while it forces a crop from the soil, hastens the destruction of it with unerring certainty. The conservation of the prairie soils depends upon shallow cultivation and the balancing of the rich supply of potash and nitrogen in them. The lister users ignore the actual condition of the soil and proceed to destroy some more soil to liberate the plant food for a few crops. There will surely be a reckoning day, for we must reap as we sow, says Nat Zebe in National Stockman.

Cruel.

Old Aunt (on her deathbed)—I am just making my will, my dear Heinrich. I know, alas, too well that you are not religiously disposed and have no desire to promote the cause of—

Nephew (hastily)—Beg your pardon, aunt; quite the contrary.

Aunt—Heaven be praised! Then you will be glad to hear that I have left all my property to the church!—Humoristische Blatter.

The Unicorn.

Chinese annals of great antiquity contain numerous detailed accounts of the supposedly fabulous unicorn, in which the description are identical with those handed down from the earliest times in the mythology or occidental countries. From this it is inferred that at some time in the remote past there actually did exist a single horned equine or cervine animal of some sort.

Early Experience.

Mother (to baby)—It's muzzer's little ootsy-tootsy. Muzzer loves her little darling baby.

Fanny (who has just been spanked)—Don't you believe her, baby. When you (sob) grow up, she'll spank you t-t-too! —Exchange.

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by Hardin's Palace Pharmacy.

Applause on Trust.

In Jules Simon's recently published "Premieres Annees" he tells that once, when a candidate in Brittany, he spoke for more than an hour amid great applause and was "chaired" and carried back in triumph to his hotel. There the friend who had organized the meeting said to him, "Well, I hope you are satisfied." The orator assumed a modest air. "Come, now," said his friend, "own up. No one can have an ovation like that without being moved by it." "Well, then, I own up," said Jules Simon. Laughing heartily, his friend continued: "There were two or three thousand people there, were there not? Except you, myself and three more, whose names I could give, not a soul understood French. You got your applause on trust." Jules Simon concludes, "It was the greatest oratorical success of my life."

The Visitor From the Mountains.

An old native inhabitant of a village in the mountains of Japan came out of his seclusion recently and paid a visit to the city of Kumamoto for the first time in 28 years, says the Chicago News. A quarter of a century and three years had naturally made a great change even in the old town, and everything the aged rustic saw there was a wonder to him. More mystified than astonished, the man went back to his mountain recesses and the first thing he is reported to have said to his wondering villagers was:

"Well, I declare! For the soul of me I don't know what the Kumamoto folk do with so many wistaria vines stretched along the streets!"

He meant the telegraph wires.

A "Kathleen Mavourneen" Loan.

William H. Rogers, cashier of the Nassau bank of New York and also one of the best known men in banking circles in New York city, tells the story of a customer who came to the bank and said he had just declined to make a "Kathleen Mavourneen" loan, says the New York Times. In his long experience in banking Mr. Rogers had heard of many varieties of loans, but never one of this genus. So he asked what kind of a loan a "Kathleen Mavourneen" loan was.

One of the sort that "may be for years and may be forever."

Tot Causes Night Alarm.

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WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	10 55 p m	6 35 a m
Ar Monroe	12 1 a m	8 00 a m
Ar Charlotte	....	9 25 a m
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Ar Athens	6 13 a m	2 14 p m
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Ar Savannah	4 40 a m	12 05 p m
Ar Jacksonville	9 0 a m	3 50 p m
Ar Tampa	5 40 p m	8 00 a m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	11 00 p m	7 40 a m
Ar Raleigh	3 00 a m	1 05 a m
Ar Norfolk	5 50 a m	11 05 p m
Ar Portsmouth	....	....
Ar Norfolk	7 15 a m	5 35 p m
Lv Hamlet	10 45 p m	7 25 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 10 a m	10 15 a m
Ar Norfolk	5 30 a m	11 55 a m
Ar Petersburg	5 54 a m	2 26 p m
Ar Richmond	6 35 a m	3 05 p m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m	6 51 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 25 a m	11 25 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m	6 30 a m

Train 40 leaving Hamlet at 8.10 a. m. takes passengers from train 31, leaving New York at 1.00 p. m.; Baltimore at 5.45 p. m.; Washington 7.40 p. m.; Richmond 10 40 p. m.; Portsmouth 6.0 p. m.; Norfolk 6 30 p. m.; Raleigh 3.35 a. m. arriving at Hamlet at 6.00 a. m. From train 38, leaving Atlanta 8 00 p. m.; Athens 11.23 p. m.; Chester 4.06 a. m.; Charlotte 5.07a. m.; Monroe 5.40 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 7.00 a. m.

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Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS	GOING WEST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
1 40	2 00	Goldsboro	11 25	.....
4 23	4 30	Kinston	10 19	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 57	9 00
6 52	6 07	Morehead City	7 35	7 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at New Bern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.00 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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2 30 P. M.	8 15 A. M.
6 30 P. M.	5 15 P. M.

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6 30 P. M.	

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Schedule in Effect Dec. 22, 1901.

NORTH BOUND.

DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.30 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.15 A. M., Warsaw 11.31 A. M., Goldsboro 12.31 P. M., Wilson 1.13 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.21 P. M., Weldon 4.53 P. M., Petersburg 6.46 P. M., Richmond 7.45 P. M., Norfolk 5.5 P. M., Washington 11.43 P. M. Baltimore 1.39 A. M., Philadelphia 4.05 A. M., New York 7.17 A. M., *Boston 8.5 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.5 P. M., Warsaw 8.40 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., *Tarboro 9.34 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.37 P. M., Weldon 1.37 A. M., *Norfolk 1.40 P. M., Petersburg 3.1 A. M., Richmond 3.57 A. M., Washington 7.20 A. M., Baltimore 9.03 A. M., Philadelphia 11.12 A. M., New York 1.43 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.10 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY except Sunday 6.00 A. M. — No. 51—Due Lake Waccamaw 7.10 A. M., Chadbourn, 7.41 A. M., Marion 8.45 A. M., Florence 9.05 A. M., Lanes 11.20 A. M., Charleston 1.10 P. M.

DAILY 2.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.55 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9.15 P. M., Columbia 10.40 P. M., Denmark 6.14 A. M., Augusta 8.10 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.25 P. M., Charleston 11.15 P. M., Savannah 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 2.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.50 A. M., Tampa 10.00 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.10 A. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.02 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.42 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.25 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston 12.30 P. M., New York *2.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 3.25 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 8.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.40 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.22 P. M., Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.18 P. M., Warsaw 4.10 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 10 10 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 noon, New York 9.25 A. M., Philadelphia 12.01 P. M., Baltimore 2.16 P. M., Washington 3.45 P. M., Richmond 7.23 P. M., Petersburg 7.29 P. M., **Norfolk 4.00 P. M., Weldon 9.13 P. M., **Tarboro 7.22 P. M., Rocky Mount 8.45 A. M. Leave Wilson 9.26 A. M., Goldsboro 7.31 A. M., Warsaw 9.04 A. M., Magnolia 8.37 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 11.30 P. M. — No. 53—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 12.30 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY except Sunday 9.40 A. M. — No. 58—Leave Charleston 4.30 P. M., Lanes 6.06 P. M., Florence 8.15 P. M., Sunday Marion 8.54 P. M., Chadbourn 9.53 P. M., Lake Waccamaw 10.21 P. M.

DAILY 3.40 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.40 A. M., Sanford 3.10 P. M., Jacksonville 8.30 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 5.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.30 A. M., Macon 1.26 A. M., Augusta 4.50 P. M., Denmark 4.28 P. M., Columbia 6.55 A. M., Sumter 8.09 P. M., Florence 10.10 A. M., Marion 10.53 A. M., Chadbourn 11.55 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.29 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.15 P. M. — No. 59—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.50 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.50 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.52 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 6.10 A. M. Maxton 8.05 A. M., Red Springs 8.32 A. M., Parkton 10.05 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.45 P. M., Maxton 6.16 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 75, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10.15 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 8.15 P. M., Halifax 8.50 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 4.10 P. M., Greenville 5.47 P. M., Kinston 6.43 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.30 A. M., Greenville 8.30 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.06 A. m., Weldon 11.20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 A. M. and 3.45 P. M.; arrive Parmele 8.55 A. M. and 4.10 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 11.10 A. M. and 8.32 P. M.; arrives Washington 12.30 A. M and 6.15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 4.35 P. M.; Sunday, 4.05 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 6.30 P. M. and 6.20 P. M. Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.30 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 9.55 A. M. and 11.05 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro daily except Sunday 5.40 A. M., arriving Smithfield 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M., arrives at Goldsboro 8.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mountat 9.30 A. M., 4.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.50 A. M., 4.25 P. M., Spring Hope 11.05 A. M., 4.45 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 5.15 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M., 5.40 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Fox Dec 19.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.40 A. M., Dillon 10.58 A. M., Rowland 11.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 4.10 P. M.; arrives Dillon 4.31 P. M., Latta 4.44 P. M., Fox Dec 7.06 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Chadbourn 12.01 P. M.; arrive Conway 2.20 P. M.; returning leave Conway 2.55 P. M. arrive Chadbourn 5.00 P. M., leave Chadbourn 5.25 P. M.; arrive Elrod 8.10 A. M., returning leave Elrod 8.40 A. M., arrive Chadbourn 11.25 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 6.30 P. M., Manning 6.56 P. M.; arrive Lane's 7.40 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.20 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.41 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., *7.00 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10 A. M., *8.20 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; *4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; *8.32 P. M.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 10.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M., Hartsville 9.50 P. M., Cheraw 11.45 A. M., Wadesboro 12.30 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 8.00 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.25 P. M., Bennettsville 9.22 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 10.15 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.05 A. M. Bennettsville 7.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.15 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.25 A. M., Darlington 8.22 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.50 P. M., 11.10 P. M., arrive Selma 3.45 P. M. 11.27 P. M., Smithfield 5.03 P. M., Dunn 5.40 P. M. Fayetteville 6.35 P. M., 1 10 A. M., Rowland 6.10 P. M. returning leave Rowland 11.15 A. M., Fayetteville 12.35 P. M., 10.07 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 2.03 P. M. Selma 2.10 P. M., 11.35 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.57 P. M., 12.07 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.26 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.14 A. M. Returning leave Denmark 4.26 P. M., Creston 5.26 P. M. Sumter 6.19 P. M. Daily.

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 3.

EVERETT-MOORE SYNDICATE.

Alleged Temporary Financial Embarrassment—Passed into Control of Committee of Bankers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 2—The financial affairs of the Everett-Moore syndicate, owning or controlling a number of urban and interruban electric railways, and an extensive system of local and long distance telephone lines in Ohio and Michigan, passed into the control of a committee composed of seven prominent bankers of this city to-day. This action was taken, it is stated, as the result of temporary financial embarrassment on the part of the syndicate, which has for some time past been affected by the stringency in the money market.

The aggregate capitalization of all the various properties, owned or controlled by the syndicate, is said to be about $130,000,000.

Caused Run on a Bank.

As a result of the announcement of the financial embarrassment of the Everett Moore syndicate, a run was started on the Dime Savings and Banking Company, of which Messrs. Everett and Moore are directors, late this afternoon. All demands were promptly met and President Watterson said the bank had ample funds on hand to pay all depositors who desired their money. The institution is one of the city depositories. When its last report was issued, in October, the bank's total resources were placed at $5 762 007, including a surplus fund of $335,000.

COAL AND IRON COMBINE.

Large Properties in West Virginia Controlled by the Steel Corporation and N. & W. Railway Company.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Judge E. H. Gary, of the United States Steel Corporation, announced to-day that the properties heretofore secured by the managers of Pocahontas coal syndicate, consisting of about 300 000 acres of fuel and cooking coal, had been sold to the the Pocahontas Coal and Coke Company, which is controlled by the Norfolk and Western Railway Company, and that 80 000 acres of these lands had been leased on a royalty basis to companies whose capital stock is owned or controlled by the United States Steel Corporation. Judge Gary said that within a comparatively earn future there would be constructed at least three thousand of the most modern coke ovens, with a capacity of at least one and one-half mil ons tons of coke, together with necessary ra ro ads, tipples, water works, electric plants, power plants, residences, stores and other improvements. The companies controlled by the United States Steel Corporation by this lease secured sufficient coal to provide, on the present basis of consumption, for about thirty years. Thie, with the Connellsville coal now owned by the company, should furnish the necessary supply of coke for upwards of sixty years, thus corresponding with the iron ore supply.

FLOOD AT CHATTANOOGA.

Many Houses Submerged—The City Almost Surrounded by Water.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., January 2.—A hundred families living in the flats and lowlands around Chattanooga camped on the Knolls last night because of the high water. Suburban street car traffic is crippled and many houses are submerged. A trap containing President Roost Pritchard, of the Chattanooga Hunt Club, Col. W. P. Henderson, H. H. Matlock, of Athens, Tenn., and Hon. Gordon Lee, of Georgia, while returning last night from the new year's meet of the Hunt Club went into a washout near East Lake and were overturned. Col. Henderson suffered two broken ribs and the others were slightly injured. Twenty seven miles of track are under water on the Western and Atlantic road. Chattanooga is almost surrounded by water. By noon to-day the river had fallen two inches. Most of the damage has been due to backwater.

POSTOFFICES ROBBED.

At Mystic, Ga., and Smallwood, S. C. An Arrest Made at Macon, Ga.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Jan. 2.—Inspector in charge Williams was notified to-day of the robbery of the post office at Mystic, Ga. The assistant postmaster was assaulted and all the stamps in the office, money order blanks and keys were taken.

The postoffice at Smallwood, S. C., was robbed last night and all the stamps were stolen.

Inspector Conant yesterday caused the arrest of Charley Harrow, at Macon, Ga., on the charge of breaking into and robbing a postoffice.

MURDER AT LEAKSVILLE

A White Boy Shot and Killed by a Negro. Murderer Escaped.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 2.—A special to the *Observer* from Leaksville, N. C., says: Tom Rainey, a white boy, aged twelve years, was instantly killed to-day by Ed. Pettus, a negro, seventeen years old. Rainey met the negro in a field and the two got into a quarrel, when Pettus drew a revolver and shot Rainey in the head. Pettus escaped. There is danger of lynching if the negro is caught.

A Richmond, Va., dispatch says nearly all the brick work there is suspended. About two hundred bricklayers are out of work.

She Didn't Wear a Mask.

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CHINESE COURT NEARING PEKIN.

Recent Occurrences Discourage Hope That the Dowager Empress Learned Lesson.

PARTICULARLY DISQUIETING.

In Gen. Yung Lu's Determination to Organize Two Anti-Foreign Corps to Offset Commands of the Pro-Foreign Chinese Leaders.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PEKIN, Jan. 2.—Several recent occurrences tend to discourage the hope that the Dowager Empress had learned a lesson of reform from the events of the past year. Foreigners are disposed to take a pessimistic view of the outlook. General Yung Lu's determination to organize two anti-foreign army corps to offset the commands of the pro-foreign Chinese leaders, is particularly disquieting, and is evidence of the continued domination of his influence, which is bitterly anti-foreign.

Other incidents which are considered significant are the suppression of the only independent newspaper in this city by order of the governor of Pekin and the closing of the industrial school here, recently organized by philanthropic Chinese, also by the governor's order. This school was intended for the training of destitute youths.

Other liberal Chinese will hesitate now to give practical vent to their theories, fearing the displeasure of officialdom.

A third edict regarding the recent order of a Belgian priest (near Ning Sha Foo, in Kan Soo province) has appeared. It appoints a special official to punish those who are guilty of the crime and re-affirms the Dowager Empress' good will towards Christians. This is unusual activity upon the part of the court, in the punishment of those guilty of an anti-Christian outrage, and is taken as evidence of the Dowager Empress' desire to conciliate the powers upon the eve of the return of the court to the capital.

Proofs accumulate that Prince Ching's arguments persuaded the Dowager Empress to trust herself within range of the legation forts. Officials arriving here describe the Dowager Empress and Gen. Yung Lu as being extremely nervous and suspicious lest the foreigners are planning to entrap them after their arrival and punish them for encouraging Boxerism.

The foreigners will probably view the court's re-entry into Pekin from the wall near the legations.

The Chinese officials have been sounded by the ministers as to whether they will enforce the old custom of restraining foreigners from witnessing imperial processions. The replies are not encouraging. The treaty gives the legations a strip of wall commanding a view of the gates of the imperial city and the members of the foreign community are planning to assemble thereon. It will be a great innovation.

WOMAN COMMITTED SUICIDE.

Dr. Elizabeth Darby Killed Herself at a Hotel in Providence, R. I.—She Had a Varied Career.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 2.—Dr. Elizabeth Darby committed suicide by shooting herself at the Narragansett Hotel last night. She left a note, reading:

"Despair led me to do this. Send my body to Bordentown, N. J."

A woman companion of the physician stated that Miss Darby had been despondent for some little time. She had been here since December 15th. Dr. Darby was about 32 years of age.

BORDENTOWN, N. J., Jan. 2.—Elizabeth Darby was the daughter of a wealthy farmer of Chesterfield, a few miles from here. The father said today that she had a varied career, notwithstanding the care and expenditures of her parents to educate her at St. Joseph's convent, Bordentown, and she then went to Philadelphia and studied to be a trained nurse. It is said she overstudied and became mentally unsound, and her assignment to her first case resulted in her arrest for alleged manslaughter. She was nursing a Catholic woman, and it was alleged placed lighted candles under the sick woman's bed, nearly creamated her, and caused her death. Miss Darby was arrested, charged with manslaughter, but was acquitted on the ground of temporary insanity. She was placed in a sanitarium and afterward studied medicine in a Baltimore college. She received a diploma and began practicing in Providence, but she was evidently not successful as she had been drawing on her father for funds.

THE CASE OF MISS STONE.

Authorities in Washington Cannot Confirm Reports of Her Release.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, January 2.—The State Department officials say they have no recent news bearing on the case of Miss Stone, and therefore can not confirm the dispatch received from London transmitting a report that she had been released. At the same time such a consummation of the efforts put forth in her behalf would not be surprising, as the latest information received here shows that responsible parties are in communication with the brigands who hold her captive and the latter know these parties have all the money that can be reached with which to ransom the captives.

FIRE AT MERIDIAN.

Fertilizer Plant and Other Property Destroyed—Total Loss $50,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MERIDIAN, MISS., Jan. 2.—Fire destroyed the fertilizer department of the Mississippi Cotton Oil Company here to-night about 8 o'clock. The loss is $37,000, fully covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown. In addition to the destruction of the above, a Nashville, Chattanonga and St. Louis railroad car loaded with fertilizer was destroyed and the Mobile and Ohio side track badly damaged. The total loss aggregated $50,000.

Acting under orders from Washington, Federal Receiver Yerkes has turned over the books of the First National Bank, of Austin, Texas, to its new organizers, and the bank has opened for business.

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CONDITIONS IN THE CONGO FREE STATE.

A Disgrace to Civilization—The Most Horrible Atrocities Perpetrated Upon the Native Africans.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Capt. Guy Burrows, who has just retired from the employ of the Congo Free State government, after six years' service, declared in an interview to-day with a representative of the Associated Press that the conditions prevailing in the Congo Free State are a disgrace to civilization and far worse than ever before. He pictured atrocities of the most horrible character perpetrated on the natives by officials and whites who had concessions of rubber land. As a typical instance of the means employed by the Free State government, Captain Burrows corroborated the statement of an American missionary, to the effect that the officials employed 500 cannibals to whom they issued rifles to "massacre and capture unarmed natives who had rebelled against their brutal methods."

"I have sworn testimony," said Burrows, "of the Belgians handing over natives to cannibal tribes for the express purpose of being eaten. Forced labor prevails everywhere and 'shotgun rule' is the truest description of the present administration. The companies deriving wealth from the collection of rubber are all more or less State enterprises, as a third or half of the shares in them are invariably held by the government.

Latterly King Leopold and the government have made some show of action against the agents of some of the upper Congo companies, but only minor officials are ever touched, and the so-called reforms are merely intended to throw dust in the eyes of the public, whose indignation has been aroused by the stories of this reign of terror. While the present system for the collection of rubber and the recruitment of natives continue the Congo Free State will remain a disgrace to the white man's work in Africa."

VENEZUELA'S REVOLUTION.

Filibustering Expedition Under Gen. Matos Departed—President Castro Says the Revolution is Crushed.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

FORT DE FRANCE, ISLAND OF MARTINQUE, Jan. 2.—The steamer Ban Righ, (recently renamed the Libertador) has left this port for the Venezuelan coast. She carries among her passengers Senor Matos, who is now referred to as Gen. Matos, and several generals and other important personages of Venezuela who joined Gen. Matos here. Besides the leaders of the expedition the Libertador has on board three hundred volunteers, and it is understood she will embark of other volunteers while on her way to the coast of Venezuela. The behavior of Gen. Matos and his adherents while they were at this port was most correct, and when they left here they had the sympathy of the whole population. Gen Matos is well known at Fort de France, where he has many friends.

Previous to his departure from Fort de France Gen. Matos issued a manifesto, calling on all his fellow countrymen to take up arms.

While the Libetador was at this port her sides were strengthened by light armor and her gun positions were protected. Her armament is of the modern type.

Dispatch From Castro.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The Venezuelan consul in this city to-day received the following cablegram:

"CARACAS, Jan. 2.—Fernandez defeated. Pietri prisoner. Revolution crushed. CASTRO."

Details of the conversion of the steamer Ban Righ into a war vessel show that her vital parts have been protected by thick plates of steel. The work was done here at the works of the General Trans-Atlantic Company. The Ban Righ's armament consists of several guns, capable of firing 300 shots per minute and four 10-centimetre rapid fire guns

The officer in charge of the Ban Rigg's guns is a European. The vessel's crew is composed of Englishmen and natives of the Island of Martinique.

The departing volunteers appeared to be very determined men. Previous to sailing they had learned of the decree issued by President Castro, declaring the Ban Righ to be a pirate and offering a reward of $10,000 for her capture, but they declared the vessel will not be captured and insisted that the revolution will triumph. The vlounteers also said that their landing on the coast of Venezuela was planned to coincide with a forward movement on the part of the Colombian troops, and the landing in Venezuela of other revolutionists who had concentrated at the islands of Trinidad and Curacos.

BOILER EXPLOSION AT MACON

Three Men Killed and Nine Others Injured—The Cause of the Explosion Not Known.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MACON, GA., Jan. 2.—A freight engine, just out of the repair shops and fired up in the round house of the Central of Georgia railroad, exploded without warning at 7:30 o'clock this morning, shaking the entire city. The report was heard seven miles away, and houses three miles distant felt the shock. The news instantly spread that many were killed and in a few moments there had gathered at the gates hundreds of people, including wives and children of shop employes, weeping and clamoring for information. The dead are E. W. Hodges, machinist, J. M. McDonald, machinist, and Uriah Cornelis, colored helper. Nine others were injured, all employes of the railroad company.

The cause of the accident is not known, the coroner's jury failing to ascertain it. It is supposed, however, that the negro helper had found the water in the boiler too low and had suddenly injected a stream of cold water on the red hot crown sheet. The engine was reduced to fragments, parts being hurled through the building two or three hundred yards. One piece, weighing 3,000 pounds, was thrown 150 yards.

SERIOUS RIOTING.

Between Strikers and Rioters in North Wales—Cavalry Called Out.

By Cable to the Morning Star

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Bangor, North Wales, and its district are again under control of the military, owing to further serious rioting between the strikers and workers at Lord Penrhyn's Bethesda quarries. There was so much wrecking of houses last night that a detachment of cavalry was hastily summoned from Aldershot at midnight and the militia was drafted in from Lichfield.

EVIDENCE IN THE CROPSEY CASE.

Citizens' Committee Still Trying to Throw Light On the Girl's Tragic Death.

PARKER A PROMINENT FIGURE

He Claims to Have Seen Two Men and a Girl On the Eventful Night Walking in Front of the Cropsey Residence.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., Jan. 1.—A rumor was afloat here to night that the man who was met by Mr. Parker between the Cropsey residence and Elizabeth City has been located. Mr. Parker was on his way home from Mr. Fletcher's about seven miles from town and in passing the Cropsey residence about 11:10 o'clock on the night of November 20th, saw a man and a woman standing at the gate. Very little attention was given to this couple and Mr. Parker could not say definitely who they were, but afterwards he met another man, whom he thoroughly observed and described. The citizen's committee since then have been trying to locate this party, as he should be able to throw some light on the tragic death of Nellie Cropsey.

A special to the *Virginian-Pilot*, of Norfolk, January 2d, says:

Cale Parker is now figuring prominently in the chain of evidence being collected by the State in the Cropsey case. He claims to have seen on the eventful night of November 20th, two men and a girl walking in front of the Cropsey residence. Mr. Parker's wife has on several occasions reported that her husband, on arriving home that night, made different statements to her, among which was that he was very sorry he ever left Frog Island that night, as on his way home he saw something very disagreeable, and that "If Wilcox don't look out he will be in a worse scrape than Palmer is." His wife claims that he made these statements to her that night, and Mr. Parker, while conversing with a friend, said that "if his wife said so, why, it must be so." The pair will doubtless be summoned as witnesses next March.

There is in town one Guy Hall. Today crowds collected on the corners and decided to ask him to leave the city. Hall is the man who was run out of Norfolk because of his connection with the Cannon affair. He has been run out of Edenton for a similar offence and cannot return.

On the night of the disappearance of Miss Cropsey, about 11 o'clock, Captain Owens and his mate, on a barge, saw a skiff glide across from the opposite shore to the Cropsey side and skim under the bushes.

From Hall's actions and other things it is believed he is Wilcox's ally. But time will show.

The theory that there are two men implicated is rapidly gaining ground. There are many things that lead one to believe that this theory is correct.

MARINE DISASTERS.

Disabled Vessels On the Massachusetts Coast—Crews Rescued by Life Savers—Schooner Wrecked.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHATHAM, MASS., Jan. 2.—The life saving crews of three stations—the Chatham, the Old Harbor and Monomoy—did good work to day in assisting crews of disabled vessels.

The crew of the schooner Emma D. Endicott, Captain Rogers, New York, for Portland, with coal, were kept constantly at the pumps, for the vessel was almost sinking. The Endicott was taken in tow for Portland by the tug Buccaneer.

The crew of the schooner Commerce, Captain Pearson, New York for Rockland, Maine, with coal, which was blown to sea yesterday, were brought ashore by life savers.

They had been rescued by the tug Lackawanna. The Commerce was struck by the gale on Tuesday night, her sails were blown away and she afterwards lost a big anchor. She was abandoned because she was being driven to sea.

The four-masted schooner John F. Randall ran ashore to-day, but she was floated and proceeded for Boston apparently uninjured.

ST. JOHN, N. S., Jan. 2.—The schooner Harvard H. Havey, Capt. Sabean, is ashore at Dark Harbor, Grand Manan, and is reported a total loss She was from Wiscasset for St. John, with oak lumber. The Havey was owned by Levi H. King, of St. John. She was not insured.

HALIFAX, N. S, Jan. 2.—The schooner Marion, which went ashore at Cape D'Or yesterday, went to pieces in last night's tide and the wreckage of the cargo and vessel is scattered along the Yarmouth shore.

The schooner Southern Cross dragged out of St. John harbor yesterday, losing one anchor and breaking another. She hoisted sail and sailed before the gale. On reaching Yarmouth last night she was caught and lifted and filled with water while trying to make a wharf.

EASTPORT, ME., Jan. 2.—A vessel supposed to be the British schooner Harry, of St. John, N. B., bound from Boston for St. John, with a cargo of lumber, stranded last night on the north side of Grand Manon and will be a total loss. The crew are safe.

GEN. JOE WHEELER

Discussed the Color Question in the South On His Visit to Cleveland.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, Jan. 2.—Gen. Joe Wheeler was in this city to-day in the interest of the new army rifle. In a newspaper interview he stated in reply to a question on the possibility of a political break in the South:

"There is no question that the superiority of the white race in the South must be maintained. Any one who has seen the South under the rule of the other color, as it was directly after the war, can understand why this must be so. For one reason white supremacy alone can insure financial stability. There will be no political break in the solid South by any party which tries to interfere from the North through the medium of politicians with the solving of the color problem by the South."

Colonel Asa Bird Gardiner called on candidate Belmont last evening and assured him of the support of Tammany Hall, some of whose leaders had opposed him.

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DISAPPROVES ACTION OF RECIPROCITY CONVENTION

Action Taken by the New York Chamber of Commerce—The Resolutions They Adopted.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—A meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held here to-day. The committee of foreign commerce and the revenue laws presented a report and resolutions disapproving the action taken by the reciprocity convention held in Washington. This report and the resolutions were adopted after considerable debate. The resolutions read as follows:

"WHEREAS, this chamber has consistently favored the establishment, through reciprocal concessions in tariff rates, of closer trade relations between the United States and the commercial countries of the world; and, whereas, the national reciprocity convention, at its recent convention in Washington, D. C., adopted a resolution recommending reciprocity through tariff modifications where it can be done without injury to any of our home interests of manufacturing, commerce or farming, thereby rendering any application of reciprocal tariff concessions impracticable; and, whereas, the national reciprocity convention, in a second resolution recommended the establishment of a new commission, to which shall be referred the consideration of all reciprocal trade agreements, thereby nullifying and disregarding the valuable and beneficial work successfully accomplished by the present commissioner plenipotentiary in the negotiation of important treaties, whereby a great part of the trade of these countries would be thrown open to us; therefore, be it

"*Resolved*, That this chamber hereby expresses its disapproval of the action taken by the national reciprocity convention in Washington, on November 20th, as subversive of all attempts to bring about closer relations with our sister nations, and to open new and wider markets for our products; and, be it

"*Resolved*, That the chamber views with apprehension the policy advocated by the reciprocity convention as likely to invite hostile legislation on the part of other nations against this country to the great detriment of its commercial interests."

The following substitute for the report of the committee was offered, but rejected:

"*Resolved*, That this body recommend reciprocity in our trade with foreign countries where it can be done without injuring any of our own products of manufacture."

The committee report and resolutions were adopted.

TOMMY RYAN

Says He is Ready to Match With Any of the Middle-Weights

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KANSAS CITY, MO., Jan. 2.—Tommy Ryan, who claims the middle weight championship of the world, to night denied the story recently circulated that he had retired permanently from the ring, and said that he is ready to make a match at once with any of the middle-weight stars who are willing to make reasonable terms. "If a suitable side bet is offered," he said: "I am willing to come to an agreement within twenty-four hours to fight any of the good ones, especially Jack O'Brien or George Gardner before a reputable club.

WARM WIRELETS.

Admiral Sampson's malady progresses slowly, but very steadily toward the end. Medical science cannot check it. Symptoms of arterial degeneration have appeared.

Charles I. Vaugh, a broker of No. 20 Broad street, N. Y., has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. The liabilities are stated to be $75,000, of which $30,000 was secured. There are no assets.

Justice Scott, of the New York Supreme Court, yesterday afternoon handed down a decision declaring Perry Belmont to be the regular Democratic nominee for Congress in the Seventh New York district.

A dispatch to the London *Central News*, from Vienna, says a report has been received there, via Sofia, to the effect that Miss Ellen M. Stone, the captive American missionary, has been released. The report lacks confirmation.

The Theatre Vendome, Nashville, Tenn., was gutted by fire yesterday, entailing a loss estimated at $50,000. The fire was caused by a live wire falling across the drapery of one of the boxes. The loss is partly covered by insuance.

The dinner to the cabinet, the first of the large formal functions of the year at the White House, was given by the President and Mrs. Roosevelt last night. Among the guests were Senator McEnery and Gen. Bradley T. Johnson.

U S. warship San Francisco, which has been out of commission for many months, was placed in commission yesterday at the Norfolk navy yard. The Navy Department has not yet announced to what service the San Francisco will be assigned.

The Kirby Lumber Co., with a capital of $10,000,000, yesterday took charge of the plants and timber holdings of the Reliance Lumber Co., the Texas Lime and Lumber Co., including the Village Mills Co., the Beaumont Lumber Co., and the Adams mills at Call, Tex.

John Piening won the wrestling match with Nachad, the Turk, at the Grand Central Palace, New York city last night. The betting favored the Turk. Piening won the first fall in ten minutes and thirty-seven seconds. Nachad then refused to come up again.

Railroad and mail service through the flood region is improving, according to dispatches received by the Postoffice Department. The railway mail division headquarters at Atlanta wires that the line from Montgomery to New Orleans will not be open for several days.

Plans for establishing in Mexico City a branch of the Y. M. C. A. are maturing. The project has the cooperation of Miss Helen Gould and Hon. John Barrett, member of the American conference. The object is to provide foreign young men there with a resort.

Announcement was made yesterday in Chicago of the final details in forming the combination of pneumatic tool companies which is to control almost the entire output of the world. The new corporation, organized recently under the laws of New Jersey, is known as the Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company.

Norfolk Peanut Market.

NORFOLK, Va., January 2.—Peanut market dull; fancy 2¾c; strictly prime 2¾c; prime 2@2¾c; Spanish —c; machine-picked —c. New peanuts, fancy 3c; strictly prime 2¾@2¾c; prime 2¾@2½c; Spanish 73¼@75c.

NOT MUCH DAMAGE.

Fire at a Ship Yard Where Racing Yachts Are in Winter Quarters.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW LONDON, CONN. Jan. 2—Just after midnight fire was discovered at the ship yard of the Thames Towboat Company, at Riverside, in the extreme northern part of the city, where the yachts Constitution, Vanderbilt's Rainbow and other fine racing craft are in winter quarters. By vigorous work the firemen got the blaze under control before much damage had been done.

CHILI AND VENEZUELA

The Protocol Signed and Accepted by the Argentine Government

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The Valparaiso correspondent of the *Times* says that it can be announced upon good authority that the protocol signed between Argentina and Chili was conveyed to Buenos Ayres personally by Senor Portela, the Argentine minister to Chili, (who left Chili December 29th) and that it will be accepted by Argentina.

The correspondent adds that the calling out of the Chilian reserves has been postponed.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

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Cape Fear Camp No. 324, U. C. Va. There will be a special meeting of the Camp to-night, Friday, at W. L. I. Armory at half-past 7 o'clock. Important business. A full attendance desired. By order of Commander, Henry Savage, Adjutant. jan 2 1t

Miss Lammie Lord will open day and night dancing classes at Germania Hall, on Monday, January 6th, 1902. Apply at 324 South Front street. au tu fr 1a 1 2 4 t dec 22 6t

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Notice—I have just received car of Jamaica Bananas. Also have Mountain Apples, Cabbage, Butter, Potatoes, Onions and all kinds of country produce. A. S. Winstead, 115 North Second street oct 4 tf

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We have 300 pairs Kid Gloves to sell out, regular $1.00 Gloves, to close out, 25c a pair. A big lot of Men's Winter Gloves, all kinds and prices. A nice lot of Engineers' and Motormen's Gloves at 1.00 a pair. A lot of new styles in Men' Raglan Overcoats, been selling at $10.00, now 5.98 each. A nice line of Ladies' Water-proof Wool Mackintoshes at 2.30 to 3.25, worth 5.00. A big lot of Men's Overcoats, worth 10.00, all wool high grade goods, to close out at 5.00 to decrease our stock. We have 48 Taffatta Silk Shirt waists, handsomely made, new style goods, that are worth 8.95 to 5.00 each, our price on them for your choice is 2.00. 20 Black Satin Shirt waists, worth 5.00, for 2.00 to close; 300 dozen Fancy Feathers just received, bought all a wholesale house had; fancy Cote Feather Breasts that sold for 50c, now 25c.

Just received 100 dozen fine new Hats that we are selling at less than half price—25c and 50c each; 1,000 yards Chiffon, in all colors, that we sold last season for 75c per yard, we will now sell for 25c. 84 pieces of quadruple plate Silverware to close out, goods that were 25c we will now sell for 17c a piece. Ebony handle, silver trimmed novelties for 9c each.

In our Overall Department we handle three standard lines, all union made. We handle Sweet Orr overalls and coats at 75c and 90c each. Morriss Bros.' union-made overalls at 50c, 75c and 90c. We have recently added a new line called the Newport overalls, the finest made for engineers, firemen and mechanics. They are made to fit. Price $1.00. A comparison is all we ask. We have a heavy weight, double knee overall at 37c a pair.

In our Shoe Department we have just received 48 cases of fine new Shoes. We are selling agents for this city for the Battle Axe brand. Every pair warranted solid leather and warranted to give satisfaction, or a new pair given in the place of them. We have them for boys and girls, men and women, from 75c to $2.50 a pair. Ladies' all solid, genuine Dongola top, patent tip shoes, well worth $1.25, our special price 98c.

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We have 1,000 yards sundries blue calico to sell for 4c this week; 5,000 yards of yard wide shirting at 4c per yard; 2,000 yards of heavy 10c outing to close out at 5½c—all good colors; a nice new line of tricot flannels just received, all colors; Pee Dee plaids at 4½c per yard; good bleaching at 5c.

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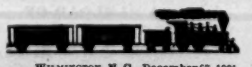

WILMINGTON, N. C., December 27, 1901.

The Board of Directors of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company have declared a dividend of one and one half (1½) per cent. on the common capital stock of that company, payable to all holders of record of January 1st, 1902. Dividend due and payable at the Treasurer's office, Wilmington, North Carolina, on and after January 10th, 1902. Transfer books will stand closed from December 31st, 1901, to January 9th 1902, inclusive.

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